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EDUCATION

PhD: University of Chicago (Philosophy), 1997.

AM: University of Chicago (Philosophy), 1994.

MA: University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee (Philosophy), 1992.

BA: University of Notre Dame (Program of Liberal Studies) *magna cum laude,* 1990.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2008–'09: Visiting Professor of Government, Georgetown University

2007–present: Joint Professor of Philosophy and Economics, Yeshiva University (on leave 2008–09)

2007: Professor of Philosophy, University of Alabama (promoted as of August 2007; resigned as of December 2007)

2006: Visiting Teaching Scholar, Departments of Economics and Philosophy, University of Missouri–St. Louis (June–July 2006)

2005–'07: Chair, Department of Philosophy, University of Alabama

2003–'04: On leave from the University of Alabama, during which time I was:

(1) Visiting Fellow, Social Philosophy and Policy Center, Bowling Green State University, Ohio, June–August 2004

(2) Elphinstone Visiting Research Fellow, Centre for the Study of Scottish Philosophy, University of Aberdeen, Scotland, February–June 2004

(3) Fellow, Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities, University of Edinburgh, Scotland, August 2003–January 2004

2002–'07: Associate Professor of Philosophy, University of Alabama

1997–2002: Assistant Professor of Philosophy, University of Alabama

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION AND COMPETENCE

Specialization: Political Philosophy, Political Economy, and History of Modern Philosophy.

Competence: History of Political Philosophy, History of Ethics, and Philosophy of Economics

SCHOLARSHIP

Books:

1. *Capitalism and Morality* (in progress). I am extending some of the arguments in *Actual Ethics,* specifically addressing the moral status of the social, political, and economic order commonly called "capitalism." I am currently in the early stages of this project.

2. *Protagoras Resurrected: Social and Political Theory in the Scottish Enlightenment* (in progress). I examine a model developed by eighteenth-century Scottish thinkers for understanding large-scale human social institutions, and I connect their findings with recent investigations in evolutionary biology, cognitive science, game theory, empirical linguistics, and conflict resolution. I argue that the Scots prefigured many contemporary discoveries by recovering a largely lost tradition of sociological inquiry perhaps first associated with Protagoras.
3. *Adam Smith* (Continuum Press, forthcoming in 2010). This is one volume in the series entitled *Major Conservative and Libertarian Thinkers,* edited by John Meadowcroft. *Adam Smith* will be a systematic overview of all of Smith's work. It will include a biography, a critical exposition of Smith's work, an overview of the reception and influence of the work, a discussion of its relevance for today, and a comprehensive bibliography.
4. *Actual Ethics* (Cambridge University Press, 2006). In this book I draw on Kantian and Aristotelian themes to present and defend a conception of human personhood and the "classical liberal" political state I argue it entails, and I use that conception to address contested issues such as poverty and famine relief, affirmative action, public schooling, euthanasia, homosexual marriage, and human happiness.
    - *Actual Ethics* won the 2007 Templeton Enterprise Award, first-place.
5. *Adam Smith's Marketplace of Life* (Cambridge University Press, 2002). I offer a systematic reinterpretation of Smith's moral philosophy, arguing that it provides a single model—the "marketplace model"—for understanding the creation and development of all human social institutions, including in particular morality, economics, language, and law.
    - Chapter 5 of the book, "The Market Model and the Familiarity Principle," was reprinted in *The Remnant Review* (Spring 2008, forthcoming).
    - The book was named an "Outstanding Academic Title 2003" by the American Library Association.
    - Reviews of the book have appeared in:
        - *The Adam Smith Review*
        - *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*
        - *Canadian Journal of Political Science*
        - *Choice Reviews*
        - *Economic History Services Book Reviews*
        - *Economics and Philosophy*
        - *Eighteenth-Century Scottish Studies Society Newsletter*
        - *History of Political Thought*
        - *The Independent Review*
        - *Ideas on Liberty*
        - *Journal of Scottish Philosophy*
        - *Mind*
        - *The Mises Review*
        - *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*
        - *Philosophy in Review*
        - *Policy*
        - *Reason Papers*

Edited collections:

1. *Adam Smith: Selected Philosophical Writings* (Imprint Academic, 2004). Part of the Library of Scottish Philosophy series, published in conjunction with the Centre for the Study of Scottish Philosophy, University of Aberdeen, Scotland. I edit and introduce the volume.

2. *The Levellers: Overton, Walwyn and Lilburne,* 5 vols. (Thoemmes Continuum, 2003). This set collects scores of original documents, including an unprecedented number written by Overton, Walwyn, and Lilburn, as well as many written by their contemporary supporters and critics. Many of the works are no longer in print, and many of them have never been reprinted. I edit and introduce each of the volumes, and provide original translations where appropriate.

Papers:

1. "Adam Smith," in the *Oxford Handbook of the History of Ethics,* ed. Roger Crisp (Oxford University Press, forthcoming in 2010).
2. "Adam Smith and the Great Mind Fallacy," *Social Philosophy and Policy Review* 27, 1 (Winter 2010): 276–304.
3. "Kantian Individualism and Political Libertarianism," *The Independent Review* 13, 3 (Winter 2009): 389–409.
4. "Shaftesbury's Evolutionary Morality and Its Influence on Smith," *Adam Smith Review,* vol. 4 (2008): 106–31.
5. "Unintended-Order Explanations in Adam Smith and the Scottish Enlightenment," in *Liberalism, Conservatism, and Hayek's Idea of Spontaneous Order,* eds. Louis Hunt and Peter McNamara (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2007).
6. "Adam Smith y la Libertad," featured article in a special volume of the South American journal of political science *Estudios Publicos,* 104 (Primavera, 2006): 51–87 (trans. Leonidas Montes).
7. "Markets, Markets Everywhere: A Response to Critics of *Adam Smith's Marketplace of Life,*" *Adam Smith Review,* 2 (2006): 215–22.
8. "Adam Smith und die Objektivität moralischer Urteile: Ein Mittelweg," in *Adam Smith als Moralphilosoph,* eds. Christel Fricke and Hans-Peter Schuett (Berlin: DeGruyter, 2005).
9. "Private Judgment, Individual Liberty, and the Role of the State," *Journal of Social Philosophy* 33, 3 (Fall 2002): 491–511.
10. "Adam Smith's Marketplace of Morals," *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie* 84 (2002): 190–211.
11. "Adam Smith's First Market: The Development of Language," *History of Philosophy Quarterly* 19, 1 (January 2002): 65–86.
12. "Adam Smith's Other Great Book: *The Theory of Moral Sentiments,*" in *Uniting the Liberal Arts: Core and Context,* eds. Bainard Cowen and J. Scott Lee (Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 2002), 149–56.
13. "Limits on Our Obligation to Give," *Public Affairs Quarterly* 14, 3 (July 2000): 183–203.
    - Reprinted in *Justice: An Anthology,* ed. Louis Pojman (Prentice-Hall, 2004).
14. "Adam Smith on the Emergence of Morals: A Reply to Eugene Heath," *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* 8, 3 (October 2000): 545–51.
15. "Religious Freedom and Public Schooling," *The Independent Review* 4, 4 (Spring 2000): 601–13.

- Reprinted in *The Challenge of Liberty: Classical Liberalism Today,* eds. Robert Higgs and Carl P. Close (Independent Institute, 2006).

16. "The Recurring 'Adam Smith Problem,'" *History of Philosophy Quarterly* 17, 1 (January 2000): 51–74.

Book reviews:

1. Garrett Cullity's *The Moral Demands of Affluence,* in *Journal of Value Inquiry* (forthcoming).
2. Craig Smith's *Adam Smith's Political Philosophy,* in *The Adam Smith Review* 4 (2008).
3. D. D. Raphael's *The Impartial Spectator,* in *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 46, 2 (April 2008): 325–7.
4. Deirdre N. McCloskey's *The Bourgeois Virtues,* in *Azure* 31 (Winter 5768 / 2008): 120–4.
5. Samuel Fleischacker's *On Adam Smith's Wealth of Nations: A Philosophical Companion,* in:
   - *Mind* 116 (January 2007): 161–5, and
   - *The Independent Review* 10, 3 (Winter 2006): 431–4.
6. Leonidas Montes's *Adam Smith in Context: A Critical Reassessment of Some Central Components of His Thought,* in *Journal of Scottish Philosophy* 3, 1 (Spring 2005): 98–102.
7. Rebecca M. Blank and William McGurn's *Is the Market Moral? A Dialogue on Religion, Economics, and Justice,* in *The Freeman: Ideas on Liberty* (January/February 2005): 42–3.
8. Gordon Graham's *The Case Against the Democratic State,* in *The Independent Review* 9, 1 (Summer 2004).
9. Emma Rothschild's *Economic Sentiments,* in *The Freeman: Ideas on Liberty* 53, 2 (February 2003): 58–60.
10. Jacques Barzun's *From Dawn to Decadence: 500 Years of Western Cultural Life: 1500 to the Present,* in *Continuity: A Journal of History* 25 (Fall 2001): 131–36.
11. John Danford's *Roots of Freedom: A Primer on Modern Liberty,* in *Continuity: A Journal of History* 25 (Fall 2001): 123–27.
12. Chris M. Sciabarra's *Total Freedom: Toward a Dialectical Libertarianism,* in *Ideas on Liberty* 51, 10 (October 2001): 57–58.
13. J. C. Lester's *Escape from Leviathan: Liberty, Welfare, and Anarchy Reconciled,* in *The Independent Review* 6, 1 (Summer 2001): 129–32.
14. Samuel Fleischacker's *Third Concept of Liberty: Judgment and Freedom in Kant and Adam Smith,* in *The Review of Metaphysics* 52, 2 (December 2000): 426–28.
15. Charles Griswold's *Adam Smith and the Virtues of Enlightenment,* in *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 61, 3 (November 2000): 714–18.

Selected other writings and scholarship:

1. "On Steven Grosby's 'Philanthropy and Human Action,'" invited contribution to *Conversations on Philanthropy* 7 (2010).
2. Guest Editor, special volume of the *Journal of Scottish Philosophy,* on "Scottish Philosophy and the Social Sciences." The volume will appear in the Spring of 2009.

3. "John Lilburne," invited entry in *Biographical Dictionary of British Economists,* ed. Donald Rutherford (Thoemmes, 2004).
4. "Adam Smith," invited entry in *Europe 1450–1789: Encyclopedia of the Early Modern World,* 6 vols. (Scribner's, 2004).
5. American Editor and contributor, *Critical Biography of Adam Smith,* gen. eds. Keith Tribe and Hiroshi Mizuta (Pickering and Chatto, 2003).

Selected talks and lectures:

1. "Adam Smith's Non-Rights-Based Argument for Limited Government" (keynote) and "Adam Smith and the Great Mind Fallacy" (panel), Association for Private Enterprise Education, April 2010.
2. "Judgment, Dignity, and Capitalism," James Madison College at Michigan State University, January, 2010.
3. "Moral Philosophy and the Legal Drinking Age," The Moral Forum 2009, University of Alabama, August 2008.
4. "Who Cares What Adam Smith Said?" Rhodes College, October 2009.
5. "The Scottish Enlightenment on the Promise and Pitfalls of Classical Liberalism," Great Books Program and Center for Research on Capitalism, Mercer University, October 2009.
6. "Adam Smith on Liberty in Morals and Economics," University of Virginia, February 2009.
7. "How High Does Smith's Impartial Spectator Go?" Royal Society of Edinburgh, Scotland, January 2009.
8. "The Promise and Pitfalls of Classical Liberalism," The King's College, New York, October 2008.
9. "Should Public Education Be Abolished?" Hampden-Sydney College, September 2008.
10. "Adam Smith and the Great Mind Fallacy," Social Philosophy and Policy Center, Bowling Green State University, September 2008.
11. "Adam Smith and the Theory of Spontaneous Order," Chapman University, September 2008.
12. "The 'Adam Smith Problem,'" Bowling Green State University, September 2008.
13. "Moral Philosophy and Wal-Mart," keynote talk at The Moral Forum 2008, University of Alabama, August 2008.
14. "Markets and Morality in Adam Smith," Center for the American Idea, Colorado Springs, Colorado, August 2008.
15. "The *Other* Great Book by Adam Smith" and "Global Ethics," Young Scholars Conference, Foundation for Economic Education, July 2008.
16. "Grand Unification Social Theory," University of Alabama, December 2007.
17. "Commercial Society and the Tragedy of Human Happiness," Tsinghua University, Beijing, China, October 2007.
18. "The Significance of Smith's *Theory of Moral Sentiments,*" Hillsdale College, September 2007.
19. The Remnant Trust Lectures, Bellarmine University, February 2007. Lecture titles: "Adam Smith and the Classical Liberal Tradition" and "The 'Adam Smith Problem.'"

20. "Spontaneous Order and 'Middle-Way' Moral Objectivity," University of Alabama–Birmingham, February, 2007.
21. "The Past and Future Promise of the Scottish Enlightenment," Yeshiva University, February 2007.
22. "The Scottish Enlightenment and the Theory of Spontaneous Order," University of Missouri–St. Louis, January 2007.
23. "Adam Smith and Liberty," Bowling Green State University, January 2007.
24. "Peter Singer and the Obligation to Relieve World Poverty," Mercatus Center, George Mason University, October 2006.
25. "The Ethics of Organ Sales," Center for Ethics, University of Alabama, September 2006.
26. "Political Economy and World Globalization," Universidad de la Habana, Havana, Cuba, April 2006.
27. "The Political Economy of Adam Smith," Bowling Green State University, March 2006.
28. "Moral Philosophy" and "The Morality of Physician-Assisted Suicide," The Moral Forum, University of Alabama, February 2006.
29. The Fondecyt Lectures, Instituto de Economia Politica, Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez and Centro de Estudios Publicos, Santiago, Chile, October 2005. Lecture titles: "Adam Smith and Liberty" and "Eighteenth-Century Sociology: Hume, Smith, and Ferguson."
30. "The Scottish Enlightenment and Spontaneous Order," University of Alabama College of Commerce and Business Administration, September 2005.
31. "The Uses and Abuses of 'Spontaneous Order,'" Louisiana State University, March 2005.
32. "Adam Smith on the Origins of Morality," University of Missouri-St. Louis, Department of Economics, February 2005.
33. "Understanding Human Social Orders: The Contribution of the Scottish Enlightenment," New York University, Department of Economics, November 2004.
34. "Unintended Order and Coordination Problems: The Contribution of Adam Smith and the Scottish Enlightenment," Social Philosophy and Policy Center, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio, July 2004.
35. "The Scottish Enlightenment and the Theory of 'Spontaneous Order,'" Interdisciplinary History of Ideas Seminar, University of Stirling, Scotland, May 2004.
36. "David Hume and the Impossibility of Moral Judgments," University of Aberdeen, Scotland, Department of Philosophy, March 2004.
37. "Solving Coordination Problems: Adam Smith and 'Spontaneous Order,'" delivered to the Seminar on Scottish Philosophy, University of Aberdeen, Scotland, March 2004.
38. "Unintended-Order Explanations in Adam Smith and the Scottish Enlightenment," invited lecture at conference entitled "The Idea of Spontaneous Order: Origins, Development, and Applications," Utah State University, March 2004.
39. "The Scottish Enlightenment and the Theory of Spontaneous Order," delivered to the Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities, University of Edinburgh, Scotland, October 2003.
40. "Response to Critics," delivered at "Symposium on James Otteson's *Adam Smith's Marketplace of Life*," 11th Quadrennial Congress of the International Society for Eighteenth-

Century Studies and the 34th Annual Meeting of the American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies, Los Angeles, California, August 2003.

41. "Adam Smith and Moral Objectivity: A Middle Way," Internationales Wissenschaftsforum der Universität Heidelberg, Heidelberg, Germany, June 2003.
42. "Adam Smith's Marketplace of Life," George Mason University Workshop in Politics, Philosophy, and Economics, March 2003.
43. "Response to Critics," delivered in "James Otteson's *Adam Smith's Marketplace of Life:* Author Meets Critics," APA Eastern Division group session sponsored by the American Association for the Philosophical Study of Society, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, December 2002.
44. "Adam Smith's Marketplace of Life," Moor Chair Lectureship, Capital University, March 2002.
45. "Local Knowledge: How Smithian Markets Work" and "The Principles of a Free Society," Universidad Francisco Marroquin, Guatemala City, Guatemala, July 2001.
46. "Adam Smith's Marketplace of Human Life," Eighteenth-Century Scottish Studies Society annual conference, George Mason University, June 2001.
47. "Adam Smith's Marketplace of Human Life" and "Adam Smith on Language Development" (the Hayek Lectures), University of Missouri-St. Louis, March 2001.
48. "Adam Smith and the Classical Liberal Tradition," Blount Undergraduate Initiative Convocation, University of Alabama, March 2001, March 2002, February 2003, February 2005, and February 2006.
49. "Adam Smith's Marketplace of Morality," Clemson University, September 2000.
50. "Adam Smith, Moral Philosopher," Piedmont Economics Club, Spartanburg, SC, September 2000.
51. "Are Markets Moral?" and "Private Property and Its Critics," Foundation for Economic Education, New York, June 2000.
52. "Local Knowledge: How Smithian Markets Work," Alabama Philosophy Club, April 2000.
53. "A Brief History of Liberal Political Thought" and "The Ethics of Liberalism," Foundation for Economic Education, March 2000.
54. "Socrates and the Unending Trials of Impiety," Blount Undergraduate Initiative Convocation, University of Alabama, January 2000.
55. "Judgment, Freedom, and the State in Kant and Adam Smith: Questions Concerning Fleischacker's Argument," APA Eastern Division Meeting (International Adam Smith Society group session), Boston, December 1999.
56. "Adam Smith's Place in the History of Moral and Economic Thought," Foundation for Economic Education, New York, October 1999.
57. "Adam Smith's Other Great Book: *The Theory of Moral Sentiments,*" Association for Core Texts and Courses, New Orleans, April 1999.
58. "Freedom of Religion and Public Schooling," Alabama Philosophical Society, Orange Beach, Alabama, November 1998.
59. "Reason and Moral Judgment in Hume's *Enquiries,*" Hampden-Sydney College, November 1998.

60. "Religion and the Great Books," University of Notre Dame, May 1998 (invited participant in Frederick Crosson retirement symposium).
61. "The Recurring 'Adam Smith Problem,'" American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies, Nashville, April 1997. This paper won ASECS's prize for best paper presented by a graduate student, 1997.
62. "Adam Smith's Marketplace of Morals," APA Central Division Meeting, Chicago, April 1997 (International Adam Smith Society group session).
63. "Responsibility and Choice in a Free Society," Mont Pelerin Society, Vienna, Austria, September 1997 (first-prize-winning essay in Young Scholar's Competition).

COURSES TAUGHT

1. *The Ethics of Philanthropy* (The Fund for American Studies in Washington, DC, accredited by Georgetown University; summer 2009). An interdisciplinary survey of competing conceptions of proper giving and philanthropy. Authors read include Andrew Carnegie, Peter Singer, Milton Friedman, Charles Murray, Arthur Brooks, Jeffrey Sachs, and William Easterly.
2. *History and Philosophy of Economic Thought* (Yeshiva). A seminar surveying major figures in the history of economics with an eye towards investigating in what way economics is a proper science. Figures studied include Montesquieu, Hume, Smith, Rousseau, Marx, Schumpeter, Röpke, Keynes, Friedman, Buchanan, Vernon Smith, Sachs, and Easterly.
3. *History of Economic Thought* (Georgetown) An upper-level undergraduate seminar focusing on the major figures in the history of economics: early thinkers before Adam Smith, Adam Smith, Hume, Marx, Malthus, Veblen, Milton Friedman, Keynes, and several contemporaries.
4. *Eighteenth-Century Political Economy* (Georgetown). A PhD-seminar focusing on five main figures of the period: Mandeville, Hume, Rousseau, Smith, and Ferguson. We investigated both primary and secondary sources.
5. *The Different Wealth of Nations* (Georgetown). A seminar taught investigating why some countries are so much wealthier than others. We explore this question by reading both historical and contemporary sources, including Montesquieu, Adam Smith, Jared Diamond, David Landes, Robert Fogel, Douglass North, Gregory Clark, and Ha-Joon Chang.
6. *Elements of Political Theory* (Georgetown). An introductory course on classic and important contemporary works in political economy. Authors include Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, Mill, Hayek, Kirk, and David Schmidtz.
7. *Capitalism and Morality* (Yeshiva, Alabama). A seminar reviewing and critically evaluating several of the most prominent historical and contemporary arguments for capitalism. Authors include Adam Smith, Frederic Bastiat, Friedrich Hayek, and Robert Nozick, as well as critics such as Marx, Cass Sunstein, John Gray, and Liam Murphy and Thomas Nagel.
8. *The Moral Philosophy of Adam Smith* (University of Missouri–St. Louis). A graduate course cross-listed in the Economics and Philosophy departments, June–July 2006. The course focused on Smith's contribution to moral philosophy, with an extended survey of classic and contemporary secondary materials as well.

9. *The Scottish Enlightenment* (Alabama). A seminar investigating the remarkable advances made to human learning during the Scottish Enlightenment, including historical, philosophical, legal, artistic, sociological, scientific, and economic contributions.
10. *Origins of Political Liberalism* (Alabama). A seminar focusing on the historical roots of liberalism and its critics. Authors include Locke, Adam Smith, Mill, Wollstonecraft, Marx, Spencer, Lenin, Hayek, and Cass Sunstein.
11. *David Hume* (Alabama). A seminar examining Hume's principal works. Readings include the *Treatise of Human Nature,* the two *Enquiries,* the *Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion,* a number of Hume's essays, as well as a selection of contemporary scholarship.
12. *Contemporary Problems in Political Philosophy* (Alabama). A seminar focusing on individual liberty vs. the common good and the role of private property in the just state. Authors include John Christman, Tom Bethell, Daniel Pipes, Randy Barnett, Richard Epstein, Cass Sunstein, and G. A. Cohen.
13. *Ethics* (Alabama). An introduction to classical and contemporary ethical thinking, focusing both on what morality is in practice and on central ethical theories. Authors include Aristotle, Hume, Kant, Bentham, and Samuel Smiles.
14. *Introduction to Political Philosophy* (Alabama). A survey course focusing on what kind of government we should have, on the nature of the American government, and on currently important political issues. Authors include Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Jefferson, Marx, and selections from several contemporary sources.
15. *Political Philosophy in the Scottish Enlightenment* (Alabama). A seminar focusing on the contributions to political philosophy made by Gershom Carmichael, Francis Hutcheson, David Hume, Adam Smith, Adam Ferguson, and Dugald Stewart, along with a selection of other primary and contemporary secondary sources.
16. *Individual, Society, and State* (Alabama). A seminar investigating the proper relation between an individual, the society, and the state. Readings include Sophocles, Plato, Aquinas, Shakespeare, Pope, Rousseau, Smith, Calhoun, Spencer, and Kafka.
17. *Ancient Greek Culture: Alien or Alike?* (Alabama). A seminar examining Ruth Benedict's hypothesis in her *Patterns of Culture* that distant cultures are "alien" by reading Homer's *Iliad* and *Odyssey* and seeing what we can make of the distant culture described in them.
18. *Foundations: Origins and Possibilities* (Alabama). A two-semester interdisciplinary seminar designed to introduce students to some of the most important works and figures from the Western intellectual tradition. Authors or works include Augustine, E. O. Wilson, the Bible, Galileo, Darwin, Descartes, Faulkner, Sophocles, Shakespeare, Cavalli-Sforza, Yeats, Plato, Locke, Mill, DuBois, and Morrison.
19. *Worldviews: Blount Capstone Course* (Alabama). The required senior seminar for Blount Undergraduate Initiative students, including readings from Kuhn, E. O. Wilson, Stephen Jay Gould, Steven Pinker, Shakespeare, and Dostoyevsky.
20. *Plato* (Alabama). A seminar focusing on several of Plato's major works, including *Euthyphro, Crito, Meno, Phaedo, Republic, Symposium,* and *Parmenides,* along with commentary from Ackrill, Adkins, Annas, Geach, Mueller, Vlastos, White, and others.
21. *Great Works of the West* (Alabama). A pilot seminar commissioned by the University of Alabama based on a proposal I made for the University's newly developing core curriculum.

Authors and works include Homer, Aeschylus, Plato, the Bible, Machiavelli, Shakespeare, Adam Smith, and Nietzsche.

22. *Great Autobiographies* (Alabama). A seminar reading Marcus Aurelius, Montaigne, Benjamin Franklin, Henry Adams, Booker T. Washington, Frederic Douglass, and Albert Jay Nock.
23. *British Empiricism* (Alabama). A seminar focusing on the principal works of Locke, Berkeley, and Hume, as well as a selection of contemporary commentary.
24. *History of Ancient Philosophy* (Yeshiva, Alabama, Joliet Junior College). A survey of the major contributors and contributions to philosophy's ancient period. Authors include Parmenides and other pre-Socratics, Plato, and Aristotle.
25. *History of Modern Philosophy* (Yeshiva, Alabama, Joliet Junior College). A survey of the major contributors and contributions to philosophy's modern period. Authors include Descartes, Leibniz, Locke, Berkeley, Hume, Kant, and Mill.
26. *Introduction to Philosophy* (Alabama, University of St. Francis, Joliet Junior College). I introduce students to philosophy by reading and examining classic texts in several central areas, including philosophy of religion, philosophy of mind, ethics, and political philosophy. Authors include Plato, Aristotle, Aquinas, Descartes, Locke, Hume, Kant, Marx, and Mill.
27. *Business Ethics* (University of St. Francis). A survey course introducing students to classical ethical theories and their applications to central issues of concern in business and economics. Authors include Aristotle, Plato, Hume, Adam Smith, Kant, Bastiat, Marx, Mill, and selections from several contemporary sources.

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS AND SERVICE

1. Member, Board of Policy Advisors, The Heartland Institute, Chicago, October 2009–present.
2. Charles G. Koch Senior Fellow, The Fund for American Studies, Washington, DC, September 2009–present.
3. Outside reviewer, PhD dissertation committee, Department of Philosophy, Columbia University, August 2009.
4. Reviewer of Grant Proposals, Teaching Development Fellowships, National Endowment for the Humanities, United States Department of Education, December 2008.
5. Reviewer of Grant Proposals, Teaching and Learning Resources and Curriculum Development, National Endowment for the Humanities, United States Department of Education, December 2006.
6. University of Alabama representative to Cuban Government and the Universidad de la Habana, discussing collaborative research opportunities on "Philosophy, Economics, and Ethics," Havana, Cuba, April 2006.
7. Leadership Board Faculty Fellow, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Alabama, 2005–08.
8. University of Alabama Representative, Association of American Colleges and Universities conference on "Pedagogies of Engagement," Bethesda, Maryland, April 2005.
9. Board of Editors, *Adam Smith Review,* 2005–08.
10. Research Associate, Center for the Study of Scottish Philosophy, Princeton Theological Seminary, August 2004–present.

11. Board of Editors, *Studies in the History of Ethics,* 2004–present.
12. Consulting Editor, *Journal of Scottish Philosophy,* 2003–present.
13. Board of Editorial Consultants, *History of Philosophy Quarterly,* 2002–05.
14. Book Review Editor, *Adam Smith Review,* 2002–05.
15. Manuscript reviewer, *Journal of the History of Economic Thought, History of Philosophy Quarterly, Review of Politics, Political Theory, Journal of Moral Philosophy, The Independent Review, Canadian Journal of Philosophy, Journal of Scottish Philosophy, The Journal of Libertarian Studies, The Review of Austrian Economics,* Cambridge University Press, McGraw-Hill, Oxford University Press, and Routledge.
16. Secretary/Treasurer, International Adam Smith Society, 1997–2001.

AWARDS AND GRANTS

1. Templeton Culture of Enterprise Award, October 2007. Awarded first place for my book *Actual Ethics.*
2. Finalist, the Last Lecture Series, the Graduate School, University of Alabama, April 2007.
3. Fund for the Study of Spontaneous Order prize from the Atlas Foundation, October 2005.
4. University of Alabama College of Arts and Sciences Leadership Board Research Grant, 2005–08.
5. Earhart Foundation Research Grant, 2003–04.
6. National Endowment for the Humanities Research Grant, 2003.
7. Outstanding Faculty Award from The Other Club, University of Alabama, 2002.
8. Honorary faculty inductee, Omicron Delta Kappa National Honors Society, 2002.
9. Honorary faculty inductee, Phi Sigma Tau National Philosophy Honor Society, 1999.
10. University of Alabama Research Advisory Council Grant, 1998.
11. Hayek Award (First Place), the Mont Pelerin Society, for "Responsibility and Choice in a Free Society," 1997.
12. Best Graduate Student Paper, American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies, for "The Recurring 'Adam Smith Problem,'" 1997.
13. Ames Fellowship, University of Chicago Division of Humanities, 1993–97.
14. University Fellowship, University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee Graduate School, 1991–92.
15. Richard M. Peltz Memorial Award for Excellence in Philosophy, University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee Philosophy Department, 1991.
16. Otto A. Bird Award for best Senior Essay, Program of Liberal Studies, University of Notre Dame, 1990.

SELECTED UNIVERSITY SERVICE

1. Director, Jay and Jeanie Schottenstein Honors Program, Yeshiva College, Yeshiva University, 2007–08.
2. Chair, Department of Philosophy, University of Alabama 2005–07.

3. Board of Advisors, Interdisciplinary Minor in Civic Engagement, University of Alabama, 2005–07.
4. Founder and Director, Philosophical Foundations of Civil Society track, University of Alabama, 2005–07.
5. Academic Elite Scholarship Committee, University of Alabama, 2005–06.
6. Tier 1 Scholarship Committee, University of Alabama, 2004–05.
7. Faculty Senator and Co-Chair of Academic Affairs Committee, University of Alabama, 2000–04. Declined nomination to run for President of the Faculty Senate in 2004.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

1. American Philosophical Association
2. American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies
3. Association of American Colleges and Universities
4. Association for Core Texts and Courses
5. Eighteenth-Century Scottish Studies Society
6. International Adam Smith Society
7. International Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies
8. The Mont Pelerin Society

REFERENCES

1. **Peter Achinstein**, Jay and Jeanie Schottenstein and University Professor of Philosophy, Yeshiva University. 500 W 185th St., New York, NY 10033; achinste@yu.edu.
2. **Richard Epstein**, James Parker Hall Distinguished Service Professor of Law and Director of the Law and Economics Program, University of Chicago. 1111 East 60th Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60637; (773) 702–9563; repstein@uchicago.edu.
3. **Gordon Graham** FRSE, Henry Luce III Professor of Philosophy and the Arts, Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, New Jersey, 08542–0803; (609) 497–7849; gordon.graham@ptsem.edu.
4. **Philip Kitcher**, John Dewey Professor of Philosophy, Columbia University, New York, New York, 10027; (212) 854–4884; psk16@columbia.edu.
5. **Loren Lomasky**, Cory Professor of Political Philosophy, Policy, and Law, University of Virginia, Box 400780, Charlottesville, Virginia, 22904; (434) 924–6925; lel3f@virginia.edu.
6. **Catherine Wilson**, Regius Professor of Moral Philosophy, University of Aberdeen, Aberdeen, Scotland; c.wilson@abdn.ac.uk.